



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor

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TO THE HONORABLE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island and Section 43-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I transmit, with my disapproval, 2009 H 5647, "An Act Relating to Human Services – Long-Term Care and Finance Reform."

The General Assembly amended the Perry-Sullivan law in June when it passed the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, and then again when they reconvened in October. The more recent amendments passed by the House and Senate are not identical, and H 5647 appears to conflict with language that was agreed to and enacted as part of the budget. In an abundance of caution I am vetoing this version in order to be certain that there is no negative fiscal impact.

For these reasons, I disapprove of this legislation and respectfully urge your support of this veto.

Sincerely,

Donald L. Carcieri  
Governor